(c) the proposed salary scale for the other States;

(d) whether the shortfall in the revenues for Wakf Boards will be made up by the states or the Centre;

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, how the enhanced payment to the Imams is proposed to be made; and

(f) whether Government has any plan or project to raise the emoluments of those working in and for Mandirs, Gurudwaras and Churches , to bring the same at per with the proposed salary scale of Immams?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Scales of remuneration provided by the Punjab Wakf Board to the Imams of Mosques registered with it are as follows:

	Scale	Medical Allowance
Imam Alim	Rs.1000-15-1150-20-1350-25-1600	Rs.30/-
Imam Hafiz	Rs.950-15-1100-20-1300-25-1550	Rs.30/-
Imam Nazirah	Rs.850-15-1000-20-1200-25-1400	Rs.30/-
Moazin	Rs.800-15-950- -1150-25-1400	Rs.30/-

(b) According to the information available, no State Govt. has prescribed any salary scale for the Imams.

Payment to Imams, if any, is made either by the Mutawallis or by the Wakf Boards.

(c) In pursuance of the direction of the Supreme Court that Union of India and the Central Wakf Boards (Council) should frame a scheme for payment of remuneration to Imams, a scheme has been framed and filed before the Supreme Court.

The scheme will be implemented by the State Wakf Boards.

(d) and (e) The responsibility for implementation of the scheme lies with State Wakf Boards which shall harness necessary resources in accordance with the powers and responsibilities vested with them under the provisions of the Wakf Law for the time being in force to implement the scheme.

No funding either through the Centre or the State Governments is envisaged for this purpose.

(f) No, Sir.

Import of Urea

452. SHRI S.S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to State;

(a) whether it is a fact that in view of the decrease in the value of the Indian rupee, the import of urea is going to decrease resulting in the scarcity of urea during this year;

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to overcome the shortage of the Urea in the country; and

(c) the programme framed for the import of urea and other varieties of fertilizers during the current year together with the amount of subsidy allocated for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) During the current year, a provision of Rs. 1650/- crores have been provided as subsidy on imported urea. Till January'96, a quantity of 32.63 lakh metric tonnes of urea have been imported. Other fertilizer namely Di-ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Muriate of Potash (MOP) are decontrolled and decanalized and are being freely imported.

Frequent Changes in the Post of Managing Director of NAFED

453. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that four managing directors of NAFED have been changed during the last 29 months;

(b) if so, the reasons for these frequent changes;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a number of representations have been made against the present Chairman of NAFED alleging favouritism, nepotism etc.; and

(d) whether Government have enquired into all these allegations; and if so, the results of such enquiry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHD. AYUB KHAN): (a) Yes,Sir.

(b) The reasons for the changes are as under:—

(i) Shri S.K. Naik who was on deputation left NAFED on personal grounds.

(ii) Shri V.B Mahajan, who had been appointed Managing Director of NAFED on an adhoc basis pending selection of a regular Managing Director, left NAFED seeking voluntary retirement four months ahead of his superannuation, on selection of Shri Mahendra Singh as regular Managing Director.

(iii) Shri Mahendra Singh, regular Managing Director of NAFED had undergone three heart operations during 1993-94 and left NAFED on his own seeking voluntary retirement.

(iv) Smt. Sarita J. Das held additional charge of the post of Managing Director, NAFED in addition to her regular duties as Joint Secretary in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation pending selection of a regular Managing Director. Smt. Das was relieved of the additional charge of NAFED following the appointment of Shri B.L. Bhadu as regular Managing Director in NAFED.

(c) and (d) This Department had received a representation from Dr. S.P. Seth, former Additional Managing Director in NAFED levelling allegations against Chairman, NAFED. NAFED placed the matter before their Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of NAFED considered the matter and resolved that the allegations made against the Chairman of NAFED were baseless, unwarranted, unjustified and malicious.

स्वयंसेवी संगठनों द्वारा की गई वित्तीय अनियमितताएं

454. **श्री रामदेव भंडारी:** क्या ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्री 30 नवम्बर, 1995 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न सं० 520 के दिये: गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या तीन सदस्यीय जांच समिति के एक सदस्य ने संबंधित स्वयं सेवी संगठन पर कई लाख रुपयों का गबन करने का आरोप लगाया है तथा उक्त संस्था के विरुद्ध पुलिस में प्रथम इत्तिला रिपोर्ट दर्ज कराने की भी अनुशंस की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है और इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है;

(ग) क्या "कापार्ट" द्वारा उक्त संस्था के नाम को काली सूची में दर्ज कर लिया गया है और प्रथम इत्तिला रिपोर्ट दर्ज करा दी गई है, और